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In re Application of	:	
Mearini, et al.	:	
Application No. 09/865,153	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: May 24, 2001	:	
Attorney Docket No. 0937.0014	:	

This is a decision on the petition filed on April 30, 2004, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

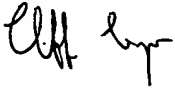
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a response to the non-final Office action, mailed April 2, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of one (1) month. No extensions of time for reply under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. No response having been received, the above-identified application became abandoned on May 3, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 3, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b). Petitioner submitted the required reply in the form of an Election and Amendment, paid the petition fee, and made a proper statement of unintentional delay.

The application file is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 2872 for consideration of petitioner's Election and Amendment, filed April 30, 2004.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0272.

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